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**Attorney General of New Mexico****PATRICIA A. MADRID**
Attorney General**STUART M. BLUESTONE**
Deputy Attorney General

August 27, 1999

MolyCorp
Columbine Park
Questa, NM 87556Re: Notification of Proper Attorney General Authorization;
MolyCorp, Questa, New Mexico

Dear Sir/Madam:

You may have received correspondence along with actual or potential tolling agreements with regard to the state's claims for natural resource and other environmental damages in the above-referenced matter. I did not review or approve any such proposed tolling agreements. You should disregard any such tolling agreements as I do not intend to have the New Mexico Office of the Attorney General execute such agreements at this point in time.

In order to avoid any misunderstanding or misconception, all agreements, proposed settlements, and/or agreed orders that could compromise state claims for natural resource and other environmental damages must be approved and signed by me personally. Without my personal approval, you will not have any agreement with the Office of the Attorney General of the State of New Mexico or any other individual(s) who purportedly have responsibilities with respect to the environment and natural resources of this state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Patricia A. Madrid".

Patricia A. Madrid
Attorney General for the State of New Mexico